

JUL 11 2005



**Intellectual Property Law Group**

**Verizon Corporate Services Group Inc**

600 Hidden Ridge Drive  
Irving, Texas 75038  
MailCode HQE03H14  
Phone: 972718-4800  
Fax: 972718-3946  
E mail:  
christian.andersen@verizon.com

To: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office – From: Christian R. Andersen  
MAIL STOP: Amendment Sr. Paralegal – Intellectual Property  
Examiner: K. DERWICH  
Group Art Unit: 2132

---

Fax: 703-872-9306 Pages with 8  
Cover:

---

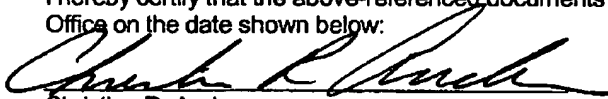
**FORMAL SUBMISSION OF:**

- 1) Response to Office Action  
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEQUENCE NUMBER CHECKING  
Serial No. 09/955,830  
Filing Date: September 19, 2001  
First Named Inventor: Walter Clark MILLIKEN  
Atty. No. 00-4058

**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

I hereby certify that the above-referenced documents are facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below:

  
Christian R. Andersen

Date of Transmission: July 11, 2005

JUL 11 2005 Appn. Ser. No. 09/955,830  
Atty Docket No.: 00-4058

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventor(s): Walter Clark Milliken  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEQUENCE NUMBER  
CHECKING  
Appl. No.: 09/955,830  
Filing Date: September 19, 2001  
Examiner: K. Derwich  
Art Unit: 2132

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Applicant submits the following in response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2005.

A Listing of the Claims replacing all previous claim listing begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.